MR. M. N. PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): I want to know whether he has applied for extension.

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Sir, I doubt whether it is a supplementary question.

PRESIDENT: I think it is.

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Then my answer is that he has not applied.

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Secretary to the Legislative Council*): Question No. 181 (*152*).

MR. M. N. PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): I have not finished; I want to ask another question.

In case extension is not given to the Chief Justice, do the Government intend importing an outsider?

PRESIDENT: That does not arise.

Law Officers of Government.

152. MR. M. N. PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): Are the Government aware that there is a strong feeling in the country because the Head Sirkar Vakil, the Additional Head Sirkar Vakil, and their Assistants, all belong to one community?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The Government are not aware.

MR. M. N. PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): If the Government are not aware, let me assure them that there is a strong feeling in the country.

PRESIDENT: That is not a question. (*Laughter.*)

MR. M. N. PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): Are the Government aware that all the above-mentioned officers belong to one community?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): That is implied in the question itself.

MR. M. N. PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): Do they not see that it is a matter of injustice done to other communities?

PRESIDENT: I am afraid that question must be disallowed, because it carries an insinuation with it.

Non-Brahmin Hindu Officers and the Education Department.

153. MR. M. N. PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): Are the Government aware that for some years past Nair and other non-Brahmin Hindu officers have not been receiving adequate encouragement in the Education Department?

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): The answer is in the negative.

Purchase of Foreign Articles for Government Use.

154. MR. M. R. MADHAVA VARIAR (*Chengannur cum Pattanamtitta*): Will the Government be pleased to furnish a statement of the quantity of foreign articles purchased from India and outside, for the use of the various departments of the State, together with the total amount spent by each department for the purchase thereof?

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